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SUBJECT: FM ABOUL GHEIT ON IRAQ

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Classified By: Ambassador Margaret Scobey Reasons: 1.4 (B) and (D)

- 1.(C) FM Aboul Gheit discussed his visit to Iraq and preliminary plans to re-open the Egyptian embassy in Baghdad during an October 15 meeting
- 2.(C) Aboul Gheit said that the Egyptians had decided to locate the new Egyptian embassy near the American embassy due to security realities. F
- 3.(C) The Ambassador noted that the USG and Iraq are moving forward on status of forces (SOFA) talks. We anticipate a strong and negative Irani